

**Assembly Bill No. 1992**

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Passed the Assembly May 13, 2010

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*Chief Clerk of the Assembly*

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Passed the Senate July 1, 2010

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*Secretary of the Senate*

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This bill was received by the Governor this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_M.

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*Private Secretary of the Governor*

## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

An act to amend Section 19481 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to horse racing.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1992, Portantino. Horse racing: safety standards: racing surface.

Existing law, the Horse Racing Law, generally regulates horse racing and parimutuel wagering on horse races and vests administration and enforcement of the Horse Racing Law in the California Horse Racing Board.

Existing law requires the board to establish safety standards governing the uniformity and content of the racing surface.

This bill would specify that the board shall establish those safety standards for racing surfaces whether the surface is synthetic or dirt, and for the maintenance of the racing surface.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 19481 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19481. In performing its responsibilities, the board shall do all of the following:

(a) Establish safety standards governing the uniformity and content of the track base and racing surface, whether synthetic or dirt surface, and the maintenance of the racing surface, and governing inner and outer rails, gates and gaps, turf, access and egress to the track, lighting for night racing, equipment for horse and rider, drainage, communications, veterinary services, medical and ambulance services, and other track facilities in order to improve the safety of horses, riders, and workers at the racetrack.

(b) Designate a steward at all horse racing meetings to be responsible for enforcing compliance with safety standards.



Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

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*Governor*